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[Reports to the Supervising Surgeon-General United States Marine-Hospital Service.]

Cerebro-spinal meningitis—Abstract of replies received.

[Continued from last PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.]

ALABAMA—*Mobile.*—Two deaths from cerebro-spinal meningitis have been reported to the health officer during the past week. There are no other cases known.

DELAWARE—*Wilmington.*—No case reported to the State board of health.

FLORIDA—*Fernandina.*—No cases have occurred in this locality since October 1, 1898.

Key West.—As far as known, no case of cerebro-spinal meningitis has occurred in Florida since October 1, 1898.

Port Tampa.—No cerebro-spinal meningitis in this section.

INDIANA.—The following table includes the reports made to the State board of health:

Cerebro-spinal meningitis in Indiana for period commencing November 1, 1898, to April 1, 1899.

Counties.	Cases.	Deaths.	Sex.		Age—years.								
			Male.	Female.	Under 1.	1 to 5.	5 to 10.	10 to 20.	20 to 30.	30 to 40.	40 to 50.	50 to 60.	
Allen	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clark	2	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Crawford	9	3	6	3	3	3	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Floyd	3	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Harrison	4	4	3	1	.....	1	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Perry .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Posey	12	7	10	2	1	1	2	6	1	.....	1	.....	.....
Spencer	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Switzerland	1	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vanderburg	75	41	36	39	8	19	15	20	6	4	3	.....	.....
Vermillion	3	3	1	2	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Warrick	5	4	2	3	.....	.....	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Total	116	68	66	50	13	27	23	33	8	6	4	1	.....

NOTE.—No etiological or pathological investigations have been made.

LOUISIANA—*Shreveport.*—Cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis are not reported. The first death from this disease was observed during the week ended October 22, 1898; the second during the week ended November 19. The third was reported in the last week in January, 1899. During the month of February 8 deaths were reported; from March 4 to March 25, 7 deaths were reported. No investigations as to the etiology or pathology of the disease are known to have been made.

MAINE—*Portland.*—No patient has been treated for cerebro-spinal meningitis at the Marine Hospital in this city since October 1, 1898.

Sandford.—One case was reported on February 20. It is likely there has been a much larger number of cases.

MASSACHUSETTS—*Gloucester.*—There were 3 cases and 2 deaths during November, 1898.

Deaths from cerebro-spinal meningitis.—(Massachusetts, October 1, 1898, to March 30, 1899).

Cities.	For the week ended—												
	October—				November—				December—				
	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31
Boston.....	1	2				1	1	1	1			3	3
Worcester.....	2	2		2	1		2	1	1			3	
Cambridge.....			1										
Lowell.....									1				
Lynn.....		2	1			1					1	1	
New Bedford.....							1				1		
Somerville.....	1	1	1		1			1		1		1	
Lawrence.....							2						
Springfield.....												1	
Holyoke.....			2		1					1			
Brockton.....													
Malden.....										1			
Chelsea.....							1					1	
Haverhill.....	1												
Gloucester.....					1				1				
Newton.....			1										
Everett.....													
Quincy.....													
Waltham.....													
Woburn.....									1				
Hyde Park.....													
Peabody.....													
Amesbury.....													
Total.....	5	7	6	2	3	3	7	3	5	3	2	10	4
Grand total by months.....	20				16				24				

Cities.	For the week ended—											
	January—				February—				March—			
	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	4	11	18	
Boston.....			2	1	2	1	1	2	2	4	2	
Worcester.....	1	1		2	1	2	1	1	3	1	3	
Cambridge.....		1										
Lowell.....		1								1		
Lynn.....			1	2								
New Bedford.....							1					
Somerville.....								1				
Lawrence.....				1	1				1		2	
Springfield.....	1		1									
Holyoke.....	2			1								
Brockton.....				1		3	2	2		1	2	1
Malden.....				2								
Chelsea.....												
Haverhill.....								1	1	1		
Gloucester.....												
Newton.....	2	1	1		1		1		1	1		
Everett.....	1	1										
Quincy.....										1		
Waltham.....										1		
Woburn.....		1										
Hyde Park.....			1									
Peabody.....	1											
Amesbury.....					4							
Total.....	9	8	8	5	10	6	7	6	10	10	6	
Grand total by months.....	30				29				26			

Vineyard Haven.—No cases have occurred in this locality for the past thirty years.

MISSISSIPPI—*Vicksburg.*—No cases of primary cerebro-spinal meningitis, but many cases of influenza, with cerebro-spinal meningitis as the distinguishing feature of the disease. Influenza was less diffused among the population during the last epidemic than in former epidemics, but the rate of mortality was unusually high.

MISSOURI—*St. Louis.*—Cases and deaths of cerebro-spinal meningitis have been reported as follows to the health commissioner: October, 1898, 1 case, 1 death; November, 1 case, no death; December, 1 case, 1 death; January, 1899, 13 cases, 9 deaths; February, 38 cases, 19 deaths.

NEW JERSEY—*Patchogue.*—No case known to have occurred since October 1, 1898.

NEW YORK—*Ellisburg.*—No cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis have occurred since October 1, 1898, in this locality or localities adjoining.

Ogdensburg.—Since October 1, 1898, 6 cases and 6 deaths have been reported to the health officer.

NORTH CAROLINA—*Newbern.*—No cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis known to have existed since October 1, 1898.

NORTH DAKOTA—*Edinburg.*—No cerebro-spinal meningitis reported in the State since October 1, 1898.

OHIO—*Cleveland.*—No cases have been reported to the health officer and none have been treated at the marine hospital.

OREGON—*Astoria.*—No appearance of cerebro-spinal meningitis known to have occurred since October 1, 1898.

Marshfield.—No cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis known to have occurred since October 1, 1898.

RHODE ISLAND—*Providence.*—There have been 11 deaths from cerebro-spinal meningitis in this State since October 1, 1898, viz, at Cranston, 1; East Providence, 1; Hopkinton, 1; Lincoln, 1; Newport, 2; Pawtucket, 2; Warwick, 2, and Woonsocket, 1. As the disease has not assumed an epidemic form, no investigation as to etiology has been made.

SOUTH CAROLINA—*Georgetown.*—The disease has not been known to exist in this section for many years.

TEXAS—*Galveston.*—No deaths from cerebro-spinal meningitis have been reported since October 1, 1898, but several physicians of standing are convinced that they have had cases.

VIRGINIA—*Cape Charles Quarantine.*—No cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis are reported in this State.

Smallpox in the United States.

ALABAMA.

Mobile.—Surgeon Murray reports March 31 as follows: March 24, 1 case; March 25, 1 case; March 26, 1 case.